REMARKS

Reconsideration of the present application, as pending, is respectfully requested. Claims 1, 5, and 12 have been amended. No claims have been added or canceled. Therefore, claims 1-14 remain pending in the present application.

Applicants note that in the Office Action summary sheet, box 12(b) and 12(1) have been checked. Applicants submit that no foreign priority claim has been submitted in this case and therefore no certified copies are due for transmission to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

Claims 12 and 13 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,445,932 to Soini et al. ("Soini"). Amended claim 12 recites, in part, the feature of "a memory storage operable to recall an existing data record from the memory storage for editing in an edit view, the memory storage further operable to store data in said existing data record upon receiving said mode change signal from said mode change generator."

In contrast, Soini teaches storing information from the display in a memory associated with a particular service. *See* Soini, col. 5, lines 84-52 and col. 7, lines 30-34. When a user is enacting a particular service, such as telefax and then switches to another service, the information from the telefax is stored in a memory associated with the telefax service. Soini does not appear to teach or suggest opening and editing an existing data record and therefore cannot teach storing the data in the existing data record. Applicants submit that claim 12, as amended, distinguishes over Soini and requests that the §103 rejection of claim 12, and those claims dependent therefrom, be withdrawn.

Claims 1-2 and 5-11 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Soini in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,535,749 to Iwata et al. ("Iwata"). Amended claim 1 recites, in part, the feature of "storing said edited existing data in said existing data record in response to said mode change."

As noted above, Soini does not appear to teach or suggest storing the data in the existing data record. Iwata does not remedy the deficiencies of Soini as Iwata has been cited merely for the purpose of teaching detecting a mode change. *See* Office Action, page 4.

Applicants respectfully submit that claim 1 distinguishes over the combination of Soini and Iwata and request that the §103 rejection of claim 1 be withdrawn.

Claims 2 and 5-11 are either directly or indirectly dependent from claim 1 and should distinguish over the combination of Soini and Iwata for at least the same reasons as stated above. Applicants respectfully request that the §103 rejection of claims 2 and 5-11 be withdrawn.

In view of the above, each of the presently pending claims in this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to pass this application to issue.

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